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## (54) ALKYD RESIN-MODIFIED DISPERSIONS

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5 80, Federal Republic of Germany, do  
hereby declare the invention, for which we  
pray that a patent may be granted to us,  
and the method by which it is to be per-  
formed, to be particularly described in and  
10 by the following statement:—

This invention relates to alkyd resin-  
modified dispersions which are especially  
suitable for the preparation of elastic  
paints and armouring adhesives.

15 Several processes have been proposed to  
incorporate alkyd resins into aqueous paint  
systems. British Patent No. 1,151,727, for  
example, describes the addition of an  
alkyd resin dissolved in an organic solvent  
20 to a pigment paste which is then incor-  
porated into an aqueous plastics disper-  
sion. A publication made by Messrs.  
Goodrich Chem. Comp. in Journal of Paint  
Technology No. 508, May 1967, Pages  
25 300 — 308 comments on alkyd resin  
additions to aqueous dispersion paints  
based on vinyl chloride/acrylate and vinyl  
acetate co-polymer dispersions, according  
to which the alkyd resin is incorporated  
30 into a pigment paste containing non-ionic  
wetting agents, cellulose derivatives, sol-  
vents and polyphosphates. In another work-  
ing procedure, the alkyd resin-containing  
pigment paste is added to the above men-  
35 tioned aqueous plastics dispersions.

The present invention provides an alkyd  
resin-modified dispersion derived from 100  
parts by weight of an aqueous dispersion  
of

40 (a) a copolymer of vinyl acetate and a  
vinyl ester of a branched monocar-  
boxylic acid, and/or

(b) a copolymer of vinyl acetate, a vinyl  
ester of a branched monocarboxylic  
45 acid and an acrylic acid ester, and/or

(c) a copolymer of vinyl acetate and a  
maleic acid ester

having a solids content of from 45 to 60%,  
and from 25 to 10 parts by weight of an  
alkyd resin emulsion, the weight ratio of 50  
solid plastics polymer to solid alkyd resin  
being from 75 : 25 to 90 : 10, together  
with a stabilizer.

The advantage of the dispersion accord-  
ing to the present invention over the pro- 55  
ducts prepared in accordance with the pre-  
ceding processes resides in the fact that  
the alkyd resin is present in the finished  
dispersion in emulsified form. By the  
selection of a specific alkyd resin and due  
60 to a special mixing ratio between disper-  
sion and alkyd resin and a corresponding  
emulsifier system, alkyd resin-modified  
dispersions are obtained having a shelf  
life of several months. The alkyd resin is 65  
added in emulsified form so that the resin  
can be incorporated into the additionally  
stabilized aqueous plastics dispersion with-  
out prior dissolution in solvents.

The dispersion obtained according to the 70  
present invention can be used for the pre-  
paration of paints and armouring adhesives  
and may be applied as elastic paint layers  
on many different surfaces such as wood,  
concrete, asbestos-cement and masonry. 75

Owing to its good adhesion the dispersion  
is suitable for preparing primer coatings  
and paints for the restoration or con-solid-  
ation of old, chalking and porous surfaces.

Wet adhesion is improved when apply- 80  
ing paints prepared from the dispersion  
according to the present invention in de-  
termined pigmentation ranges on old sur-  
faces coated with alkyd resin paints. In the  
case of high-pigmented paints the portion 85  
of alkyd resin contained in the dispersion  
ensures a higher fastness to wet abrasion.  
Moreover, the paints obtained with the  
alkyd resin-modified dispersion can be  
easily spread and impart to the colour a 90

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varnish-like appearance.

The high film elasticity of the dispersion according to the present invention in pigmented or unpigmented state offers the possibility of preparing smooth reinforcements to cover shrinkage and settling cracks in concrete, plaster and masonry. Dried dispersion films having a thickness of 0.5 mm show an elongation of about 2000% (elongation at break according to DIN 53 371). The elongation at break of pigmented, dried films (pigment/filler ratio 1 : 1, based on the solids content of the dispersion) is approximately 1000%. Comparative conventional dispersion systems show a lower elasticity with the same pigmentation ratio. The addition of the alkyd resin causes the formation of an adhesion bridge to the treated surface. Moreover, due to the high inherent elongation of the adhesive an interposed elastic fabric is supported by this adhesive so that the occurring forces are evenly distributed over the whole surface. All tensile and strain stresses are thus uniformly absorbed and are not transmitted to the top coating, thereby reducing the susceptibility to form cracks.

The preparation of the alkyd-resin-modified dispersions according to the present invention is advantageously carried out in such a way that 100 parts by weight of the aqueous plastics dispersion (solid content 45 to 60%) are placed in a vessel and mixed while stirring with about 0.1 part by weight of a suitable defoamer and from 20 to 8 parts by weight of a stabilizer, for example a 5 to 2% high-viscosity and/or low-viscosity hydroxyethyl cellulose solution in water (Hoppler viscosity of the 2% hydroxyethyl cellulose solution 1000 to 10000 cP). 25 to 10 parts by weight of an alkyd resin emulsion are subsequently added while the stirrer is running slowly. After stirring for 10 minutes mixing is terminated. The weight ratio solid plastics polymer: alkyd resin (solid) is in the range of from 75 : 25 to 90 : 10 according to the mixing ratio.

To prepare the alkyd resin emulsion, for example, from 10 to 40 parts by weight of water, from 0.5 to 2 parts by weight of ammonia (concentrated) and from 1 to 3 parts by weight of a water-soluble, surface-active substance (polyglycol ether having a degree of oxethylation of from 4 to 30) are introduced in a vessel and 70 parts by weight of a long oil alkyd resin are emulsified therein. Any long oil alkyd resins may be employed, preferably Safflower alkyd resin (from safflower oil), soya or linseed oil alkyd resin. With a resin content of 100% Safflower alkyd resin is low-viscous (20 to 250 cP, 20°C; determined by a Hoppler viscometer) and is capable of being stirred into the dispersion in emulsified

form without having been dissolved in an organic solvent. This resin represents a super fat alkyd resin having an acid content of more than 80% and is resistant to yellowing. As described above, optimum emulsification of the alkyd resin can be obtained with a combination of ammonia and surface-active substances. The addition of hydroxyethyl cellulose brings about an additional stabilization of the dispersion.

The dispersion of the present invention can be used to prepare dispersion paints for wood, masonry, concrete, asbestos-cement, old paint coatings and interiors. For these dispersion paints the weight ratio of pigment and filler to binder is advantageously between 0.6 : 1 and 9 : 1. For the preparation of the paints there may be used, besides the customary fillers and pigments, thickeners, wetting agents, defoamers, preservatives, and solvents, for example, mineral spirit, spirits of turpentine, and butyldiglycol acetate as film consolidating agent. Since the dispersion requires a low minimum film-forming temperature, it is sufficient to add from 1 to 3% of a solvent based on the dispersion paint. An addition of from 0.5 to 1% of a paint drier is preferably added in order to ensure a more rapid drying of the paints.

The following Examples illustrate the invention.

**EXAMPLE 1:** An alkyd resin modified dispersion was prepared in the manner described above from:

100.0 parts by weight of a dispersion of a copolymer of vinyl acetate and Versatic (registered Trade Mark) acid vinyl ester (esters of long chain branched dicarboxylic acids, producer: Shell Chemie)

0.1 part by weight of a defoamer (Nopco (registered Trade Mark) NXZ by Nopco Chem. Co., Harrison N.J., USA)

8.0 parts by weight of a 2% solution of Natrosol (registered Trade Mark) 250 H (hydroxyethyl cellulose)

18.0 parts by weight of an alkyd resin emulsion of 70% strength (terephthalic acid-soya alkyd resin)

Ratio emulsion polymer: alkyd resin (solid) 80 : 20

**EXAMPLE 2:** An alkyd resin modified dispersion was prepared in the manner described above from:

100 parts by weight of vinyl acetate/Versatic acid vinyl ester copolymer dispersion

0.1 part by weight of a defoamer (Nopco 125 NXZ)

8.0 parts by weight of a 2% solution of Natrosol 250 H

12.8 parts by weight of an alkyd resin emulsion of 70% strength (terephthalic

acid — soya alkyd resin)  
Ratio emulsion polymer: alkyd resin  
(solid) 85 : 15

WHAT WE CLAIM IS:—

- 5 1. An alkyd resin-modified dispersion  
derived from 100 parts by weight of an  
aqueous dispersion of
  - (a) a copolymer of vinyl acetate and a  
vinyl ester of a branched monocar-
  - 10 boxylic acid, and/or
  - (b) a copolymer of vinyl acetate, a vinyl  
ester of a branched monocarboxylic  
acid and an acrylic acid ester, and/or
  - (c) a copolymer of vinyl acetate and a  
15 maleic acid ester
 having a solids content of from 45 to 60%,  
and from 25 to 10 parts by weight of an  
alkyd resin emulsion, the weight ratio of  
said plastics polymer to solid alkyd resin  
20 being from 75 : 25 to 90 : 10, together  
with a stabilizer.
2. An alkyd resin-modified dispersion  
according to claim 1, wherein the stabilizer  
is a 5 to 2% high-and/or low-viscosity  
25 hydroxyethyl cellulose aqueous solution  
which is present in an amount of from 8  
to 20 parts by weight.

3. An alkyd resin-modified dispersion  
according to claim 1 or claim 2, and con-  
taining about 0.1 part of weight of a de- 30  
foamer.

4. An alkyd-resin modified dispersion  
according to any one of claims 1 to 3,  
wherein the alkyd resin emulsion is pre-  
pared from 70 parts by weight of a long oil 35  
alkyd resin having fatty acid content of  
more than 80%, from 10 to 40 parts by  
weight of water and a combination of from  
0.5 to 2 parts by weight of concentrated  
ammonia and from 1 to 3 parts by weight 40  
of a water soluble, surface-active substance,  
preferably a polyglycol ether having a de-  
gree of oxethylation of from 4 to 30.

5. An alkyd resin-modified dispersion  
as claimed in claim 1, substantially as 45  
described in the Examples herein.

6. An elastic paint or adhesive con-  
taining an alkyd resin-modified dispersion  
as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 5.

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